

Version With Markings to Show Changes MadeIn the Specification:

Please amend the Abstract (page 20, lines 2 to 18) as follows:

[An object of the present invention is to provide a method of treatment that is useful in conducting a nucleic acid synthesis procedure capable of directly amplifying an intended nucleic acid in a living body-derived sample without purification steps.]

The present invention is a method for synthesis of nucleic acids to amplify an intended nucleic acid in a region in which a GC content is rich, wherein a polyhydric alcohol and/or ammonium sulfate is present in an amplification reaction solution. According to the present invention, it [becomes] is possible to amplify nucleic acids in a GC rich region efficiently [in direct manner] and directly from a sample such as blood containing lots of PCR inhibitory substances without undergoing a process of isolating and purifying the nucleic acid, [although it has been known that the] even though conducting PCR in the GC rich region [is difficult to be conducted] tends to be difficult using conventional processes even if purified DNA is used.

In the Claims:

1. (amended) A method for synthesis of nucleic acids, which comprises:

[to] amplifying an intended nucleic acid in a region in which a content of guanine (G) and cytosine (C) is rich[, wherein] in an amplification reaction solution comprising a polyhydric alcohol and[/or] ammonium sulfate [is present in an amplification reaction solution].

2. (amended) The method for synthesis of nucleic acids according to claim 1, wherein a nucleic acid inclusion body [in] from a living body-derived sample or the living body-derived sample itself is added to the amplification reaction solution.

3. (amended) The method for synthesis of nucleic acids according to claim 1, wherein said amplifying step comprises adjusting a pH value of the amplification reaction solution [at 25 °C is adjusted] to 8.4 or higher if the reaction solution is about 25 °C, and/or adjusting a pH

value of the amplification reaction solution to 7.4 or higher if the reaction solution is about [that at] 70 °C [is adjusted to 7.4 or higher].